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RESPONSECommissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2002. No fee is believed to be required in conjunction with this response. However, any deficiency in fees should be charged to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

REMARKS

Claims 12, 17 and 26-40 are pending in the application. Claims 31-40 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). Claims 12, 17 and 26-30 have been withdrawn as being drawn to a non-elected invention.